MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL) : (a) to (c) There is no attached and subordinate office, Undertaking, Corporation, Bank etc. under the control of this Ministry. All the Sections of this Ministry have been provided at least one Hindi Typewriter. To have 90% of total Typewriters in Hindi is the target fixed by the Department of Official Language in its Annual Programme. This Ministry has achieved the target of 84.5% of Hindi Typewriters and the Ministry has decided to purchase only Hindi typewriters in future to reach the target of 90%.

Recruitment/Promotion Policy in CBI

4204. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government recruit officers at DIG/IGP level in CBI whithout any experience in CBI or ACB ;

(b) whether such induction reduces the professionalism in the Department ;

(c) what corrective measures are being taken to retain the competency of the agency;

(d) whether it is a fact that some IPS officers in CBI are languishing for want of promotions where as their batchmates in other Central Police Organisations have already come up to IGP levels ; and

(e) what steps are being taken to improve the morale of such officers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) The functional requirements of the CBI are kept in view while appointing IPS officers, on deputation, at the level of DIG/IGP in the Organisation. Past experience in the CBI in anti-corruption work is also taken into account while considering officers for the aforesaid posts.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) In pursuance of the directons of the Supreme Court in the Vineet Narain case, the Government have, *inter-alia*, constituted the CBI Selection Board for recommending selection, extension in tenure etc. of officers of and above the rank of Superintendent of Police in the CBI.

(d) At present there is no such officer in the CBI.

(e) Does not arise.

Functioning of Government Machinery

4205. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR READY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Fifth Central Pay Commission had emphasized the need to make impovements in the functioning of Government machinery with regard to observance of holidays, regulation of leave and office hours and to tone up the work culture; and

(b) if so, the follow-up steps taken, so far, to implement the recommendation of the Commission in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) and (b) In the light of the 5th Pay Commission's recommendations relating to five days week working and festival holidays, the following decisions have been taken :--

(i) Government Departments whose functions are pre-dominantly marked by public dealings or of commercial nature have been advised to review the existing arrangements and switch over to six day week working wherever feasible.

(ii) No holiday whall be declared in the event of death of any person other than the incumbent President of India or the Prime Minister of India.

(iii) Casual leave entitlement of Central Government employees was reduced from 12 to 8 days in a year from 1-1-1998 with corresponding reduction where the number of days is different.